

## **Alumni Engagement Innovation Fund (AEIF):**



Are you alumni of State Department exchange programs? Team up with fellow alumni to tackle some of the world's most pressing issues! The Alumni Affairs Office in Washington DC will launch the fourth annual Alumni Engagement Innovation Fund (AEIF) around mid-March 2014, which supports alumni initiatives that promote shared values and innovative solutions to global challenges. Specific categories for proposing projects will be announced at the launch of the AEIF. However, to get you thinking, here are last year's categories: Empowering Women, Outreach to Underserved Communities, Entrepreneurship and Youth Employment, Expanded Access to Education, Environmental Protection, Government Transparency, Freedom of Expression, Conflict Resolution, Citizen Security, and Promoting Civil Society.

The AEIF competition provides small grants (up to \$25,000 each) to teams of past and current participants of U.S. government-funded exchange programs to carry out public service projects that utilize skills and knowledge they have gained through their exchange experiences.

We are pleased to organize a workshop on Grant-Writing with Dr. Shubhalaxmi V. who won the AEIF 2012! Join her as she provides guidance on drafting outstanding proposals and answers any questions you might have about the AEIF. At the workshop you will get to network with other alumni and also learn more about this competition, which gives alumni the opportunity to form partnerships with each other to spur innovative ideas and projects that address global issues on a local, national, regional, and international level!

### **SAVE THE DATE:**

**Ahmedabad** Grant-Writing Workshop on **March 28** between 9:30am to 5:30pm (Venue TBD)

**Pune** Grant-Writing Workshop on **April 4** between 9:30am to 5:30pm (Venue TBD)

**Mumbai** Grant-Writing Workshop on **April 11** between 9:30am to 5:30pm (Venue TBD)

***Seats are limited***, so kindly **RSVP before March 6** by emailing Zenobia Daruwalla at [DaruwallaZK@state.gov](mailto:DaruwallaZK@state.gov) and mark a copy to [MumbaiIEA@state.gov](mailto:MumbaiIEA@state.gov).

Subject of email should be: Alumni Grant-Writing Workshop in (choose city from the above-listed)

RSVP email should include--

Full name:

Mobile Number:

Email Address:

Name and Year of Exchange Program:

City where you will attend the workshop: Ahmedabad / Pune / Mumbai